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SUBJECT: IRANIAN HELICOPTERS TO PAKISTAN

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1. WHILE SOURCE OF INITIAL REPORT OF PRESENCE OF IRANIAN HELICOPTERS IN BALUCHISTAN (REFTEL A) WAS A NEWSMAN, WE UNAWARE THAT THIS INFORMATION HAS APPEARED IN KARACHI ENGLISH OR VERNACULAR PRESS. TWO FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS WHO IN PAKISTAN TO COVER CURRENT FLOODS, IN DISCUSSIONS WITH CONGEN OFFICERS, HAVE ASKED NO QUESTIONS REGARDING PRESENCE OF IRANIAN MILITARY EQUIPMENT IN BALUCHISTAN SUGGESTING THIS INFORMATION HAS NOT YET PERCOLATED INTO PUBLIC DOMAIN LOCALLY.

2. IN QUETTA ITSELF PRESENCE OF IRANIAN HELICOPTERS IS KNOWN TO A SECTION OF PUBLIC. AT A DINNER TUESDAY EVENING AUGUST 28 IN QUETTA CONGEN OFFICER WAS JOSHED BY PROMINENT LOCAL CITIZEN ABOUT HELICOPTERS. HE
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REMARKED QTE WE KNOW WHERE THOSE IRANIAN HELICOPTERS

CAME FROM. THEY HAVE A MARKING INSIDE THEM WHICH
READS 45 G.I.'S OR 60 VIETNAMESE. UNQTE IN ADDITION,
OPPOSITION SUPPORTERS IN QUETTA PUSHING LINE THAT IRANIAN
RECOILESS RIFLES HAVE BEEN SUPPLIED AND THAT IRANIAN
TROOPS PRESENT IN CHAGAI DISTRICT WHICH ADJOINS IRANIAN
BORDER, BUT LOCAL PRESS IS NEITHER PUBLICIZING THESE
ALLEGATIONS, NOR PRESENCE OF IRANIAN HELICOPTERS.
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